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## ATTENTION: EXAMINER BRADFORD

## INTERVIEW OUTLINE FOR APPLICATION NO: 10/545,194

## Claim 1

- Hosaka and Jackson do not show a plurality of triangular tendon supports in the middle of a wale
  - Hosaka has a single support
  - Jackson shows a triangle support but not that it would be in the middle of the wale
- Hosaka shows the tendon being tensioned by the jack 12. In contrast, in the claimed invention the tendon is tensioned by the tendon anchoring unit. This difference allows the claimed invention to bare heavier loads.
- Hosaka does not disclose a connecting brace for connecting the tendon supports and the tendon-anchoring unit

## Claim 8

- Repeat of claim 1 arguments
- Hosaka and Inoe do not disclose triangular tendon supports